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1. ⁰³ ~~SECRET~~ A-1 CALLED ON KNATHAN NIGHT 21 DECEMBER AND REPORTED
 FOLLOWING: HE IN CONTACT [MAJOR CESAR PAEZ SANCHEZ, FORMER CHIEF
 FIDEL CASTRO'S ESCORT AND ASSISTANT CHE CUEVARA] IN LAS VILLAS DURING
 FIGHT AGAINST DATISTA. A-1 DESCRIBES [PAEZ] AS "MUY GUAPO" (TOUGH GUY),
 WITH LITTLE POLITICAL CONVICTION AND SOMETHING OF A THUG. [PAEZ] CLAIMS
 CONTROL FIFTY IN MADANA, WHO WILL BE JOINED BY 250 MORE IN PLACETAS,
 LAS VILLAS. SAYS HE PLANS OPEN THREE FRONTS AGAINST CASTRO IN LAS
 VILLAS, ONE OF WHICH WILL WORK WITH OSVALDO RAMIREZ. HIS DEPUTY IS
 [LT RAMONIN QUESADA] IN ADDITION [PAEZ] CLAIMS SUPPORT 50 ACTIVE OFFICERS
 IN CUBAN REBEL ARMY. BOTH [PAEZ] AND [QUESADA] ACTIVE DUTY OFFICERS WITH
 OUT COMMAND.

2. [PAEZ] WHO CL

AIMS LARGE FOLLOWING AMONG PEOPLE IN PLACETAS AREA,
 SAYS HE WILL PARALYZE CUBAN SUGAR HARVEST. SAYS THAT VICTOR BORDON,
 HAS BEEN FIGHTING ANTI-CASTRO FORCES IN LAS VILLAS, OFFERED TO
 COOPERATE WITH HIM, BUT [PAEZ] DOES NOT ENTIRELY TRUST BORDON, NOR DOES
 HE TRUST RAMON ANTONIO GARCIA WHO HE CLAIMS HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE

~~SECRET~~

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... CONTACT FROM AMIP-1 AND THAT HE ESTABLISHED CONTACT
... AMIP-1 THROUGH [CARLOS MARTIN RODRIGUEZ] OWNER OF A RICE MILL.
3. A-1 SAYS HE HAS FUNDS TO HELP FINANCE [PAEZ] BUT RELUCTANT DELIVER
SINCE HAS MISGIVINGS ABOUT HIM. POINTS OUT MAN APPEARS APOLITICAL
AND THUS DOES NOT UNDERSTAND HIS ANTI-CASTRO POSITION, ALSO SAYS
MEN SURROUNDING HIM DISREPUTABLE LOOKING TYPES. WHILE KNAPPAN POINTED
OUT THAT WARS NOT FOUGHT BY CREAM PUFFS, CANNOT IGNORE [PAEZ] APPA-
RENTLY FLINXY REASONS FOR OPPOSING CASTRO, HIS UNFAVORABLE COMMENTS
ON SANTIAGO (WITH WHICH SCORGEY INTERESTED), HIS APPARENT FREEDOM OF
ACTION IN A TIGHT DICTATORSHIP WHEN HE CLAIMS SUPPORT 52 OFFICERS
AT LEAST ONE OF
WHICH MIGHT BE EXPECTED TO BE LOYAL TO CASTRO. REQUEST
WAVE QUERY AMIP-1 RE [PAEZ] AND FILE HIS COMMENTS BEFORE NEXT MEETING
WITH A1 ON 28 DECEMBER.
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END OF MESSAGE

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